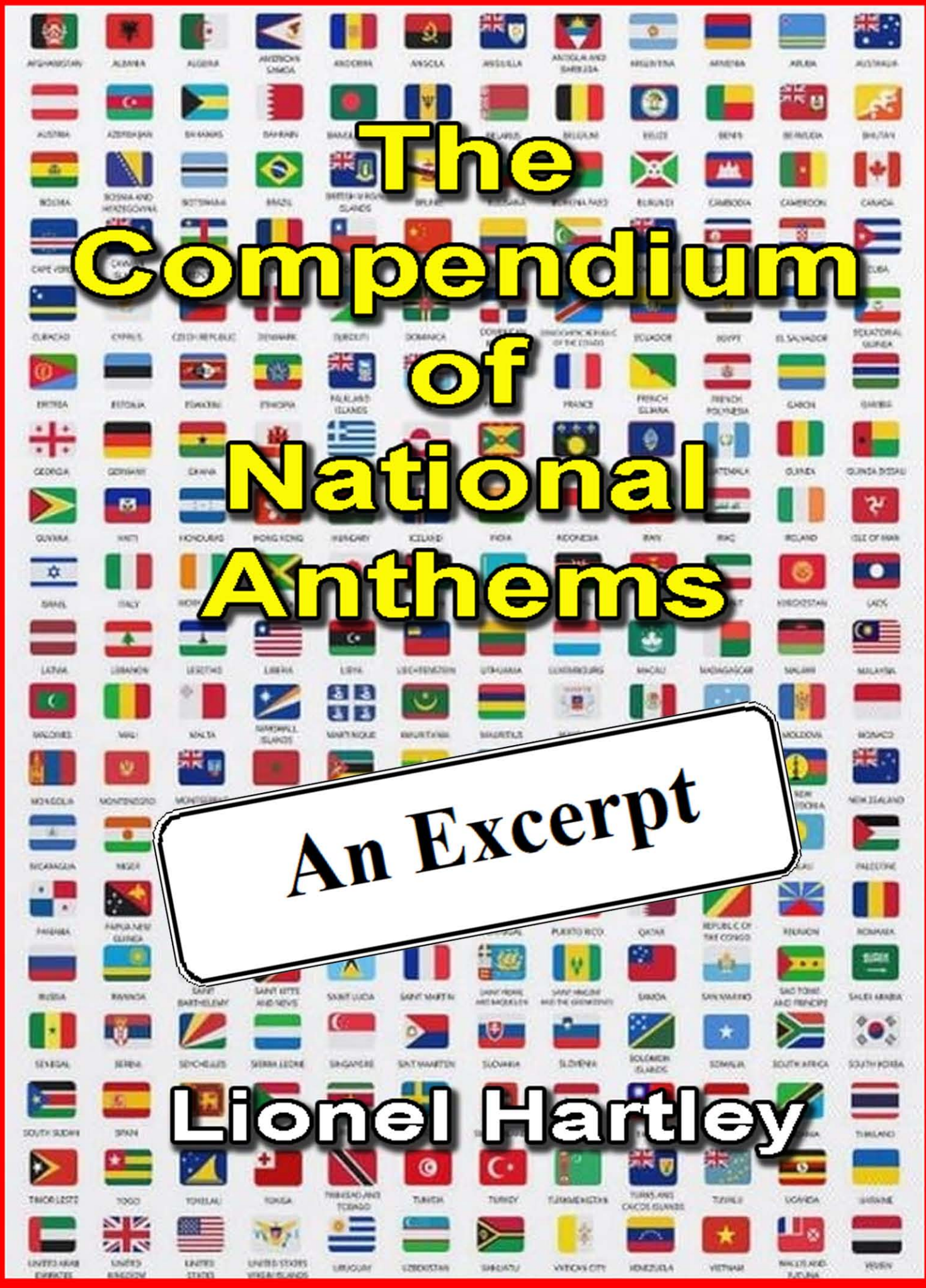
The Compendium of National Anthems
An Excerpt
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Hot Off The Press (A new feature in FreEzine)

This month's 'Hot Off The Press': The Compendium of National Anthems.

We all know that the National Anthem for Australia is 'Advance Australia Fair.' But did you know that it was officially adopted as recently as April 1984 yet the music and words were composed by Peter Dodds McCormick (under pen name of Amicus) in 1878?
In 1973 a competition was held for a new National Anthem and all 1300 entries rejected. Then in April 1974, Prime Minister Gough Whitlam announced that 'Advance Australia Fair', which was chosen by 51.4% of respondents to a public opinion poll, would replace 'God Save The Queen' as Australia's National Anthem. In January 1976, Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser reinstated 'God Save The Queen' as the National Anthem, until April 1984 when, at the same time the National colours of Green and Gold were declared official, the 'Advance Australia Fair' was again proclaimed as National Anthem.

Your editor completed a study last year into the National Anthems of over one hundred and sixty countries, finding out the titles or first lines of each, their composers, the date each was officially adopted, and other relevant historical information on each. Included in his recently published book are the complete lyrics for all that copyright would allow, both in English and the original languages, as well as a selection of alternate and parody lyrics.
This 856-page book is now available in print and also on CD-ROM - write to the editor for details.

An excerpt from *The Compendium of National Anthems*, collated and edited by Lionel Hartley:

For the terms of this summary, a National Anthem is official national songs to encourage patriotism or loyalty, or to honour the spirit of the native land. Some anthems celebrate a historical person or an event while others promote the natural beauty of the country. A few anthems are only short fanfares or melodies without any words. Not all national anthems have titles and are therefore known by their first lines.
Countries change their National Anthems from time to time just as country names and boundaries are subject to change. The compiler believes these statistics to be accurate as of January 2000

AFGHANISTAN. Music by Ustad Salim Sarmad. Words by Suleiman Laeq. Anthem officially adopted 1978.

ALBANIA. "Hymni i Flamurit" ("Hymn to the Flag"). Music by Ciprian Porumbescu. Words by Aleksander Stavre Drenova. Anthem officially adopted 1912.

ALGERIA. Music by Mohamed Fawzi, 1956. Words by Mufdi Zakariah, 1955. Anthem officially adopted 1963.

ANDORRA. "Himne Andorra." Music by Father Enric Marfany Bons. Words by D. Joan Benlloch i Vivò. Anthem officially adopted 1914.

ANGOLA. Music by Rui Alberto Vieira Dias Mingas. Words by Manuel Rui Alves Monteiro. Anthem officially adopted 1975.

ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA. Music by Walter Garnet Picart Chambers. Words by Novelle Hamilton Richards. Anthem officially adopted 1967.

ARGENTINA. "Himno Nacional Argentino" ("Argentine National Anthem"). Music by Blas Parera, 1813. Words by Vicente López y Planes, 1813. Anthem officially adopted 1813.

AUSTRALIA. "Advance Australia Fair." Music and words by Peter Dodds McCormick (under pen name of Amicus), 1878. Anthem officially adopted 1984.

AUSTRIA. "Land der Berge Land am Strome" ("Land of Mountains Land of Rivers"). Music by Johann Holzer (melody formerly attributed to Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart). Words by Paula von Preradovi, 1946. Anthem officially adopted 1947.

AZERBAIJAN. Words by Ahmad Javady. Music by Uzear Hajebayov. Date anthem officially adopted unknown.

BAHAMAS. "March on, Bahamaland." Music and words by Timothy Gibson, 1972. Anthem officially adopted 1973.

BAHRAIN. Composer unknown. Words by Mohamed Ayyash Sudqi. Anthem officially adopted 1971.

BANGLADESH. "Hmir Sonir Bangla." Music and words by Rabindranath Tagore. Anthem officially adopted 1972.

BARBADOS. "Barbados National Anthem." Music by C. Van Roland Edwards, 1966. Words by Irving Louis Burgie, 1966. Anthem officially adopted 1966.

BELGIUM. "La Brabançonne" ("The Brabant Song"). Music by François van Campenhout, 1830. Words by Alexandre Dechet, 1830. Words revised significantly by Charles Rogier, 1860. Anthem officially adopted 1938.

BELIZE. Music by Selwyn Walford Young, 1963. Words by Samuel Alfred Haynes, 1963. Anthem officially adopted 1981.

BENIN. "L'Aube Nouvelle" ("The Dawn of a New Day"). Music and words by Gilbert Jean Dagnon. Anthem officially adopted 1960.

BHUTAN. "Royal Anthem." Music by Aku Tongmi. Words by Dasho Thinley Dorje.

BOLIVIA. "Himno Nacional." Music by Leopoldo Benedetto Vincenti. Words by José Ignacio de Sanjinés. Anthem officially adopted 1842.

BOTSWANA. "Fatshe la Rona" ("Our Country"). Music and words by Kgalemang Tumedisco Motsete, 1966. Anthem officially adopted 1966.

BRAZIL. "Hino Nacional do Brasil" ("Brazilian National Anthem"). Music by Francisco Manoel da Silva, 1832. Words by Joaquim Osório Duque Estrada. Anthem officially adopted 1922.

BRUNEI. "Brunei Darussalam" ("God Save Brunei"). Music by Awang Haji Besar bin Sagap, 1947. Words by Pengiran Haji Mohamed Yusuf bin Pengiran Haji Abdul Rahim. Anthem officially adopted 1951.

BULGARIA. Music and words by Tsvetan Tsvetkov Radoslavov, 1885. Anthem officially adopted 1964.

BURKINA FASO. Composer unknown. Words by Thomas Sankara. Anthem officially adopted 1984.

BURMA (Myanmar). Music and words by Saya Tin. Anthem officially adopted 1948.

BURUNDI. "Uburundi Bwacu." Music by Marc Barengayabo. Words by a group of writers presided over by Jean-Baptiste Ntahokaja, 1962. Anthem officially adopted 1962.

CAMBODIA. Composer and author unknown. Anthem officially adopted 1976.

CAMEROON. "Chant de Ralliement" ("Rallying Song"). Music by Samuel Minkio Bamba and Moïse Nyatte Nko'o, 1928. Words by a student group, 1928. Anthem officially adopted 1957; words changed substantially 1978.

CANADA. "O Canada" Music attributed to Calixa Lavallée. Words by Justice Robert Stanley Weir; French version by Judge Adolphe-Basile Routhier. Anthem officially adopted 1980.

CAPE VERDE. "É Patria Amada" ("This is Our Beloved Country"; same as Guinea-Bissau). Music and words by Amilcar Lopes Cabral, 1975.

CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC. "La Renaissance" ("The Revival"). Music by Herbert Pepper, 1958. Words by Barthélémy Boganda, 1958. Anthem officially adopted 1960.

CHAD, REPUBLIC OF. "La Tchadienne" ("The Song of Chad"). Music by Paul Villard. Words by Louis Gidrol and student group, 1960. Anthem officially adopted 1960.

CHILE. "Himno Nacional de Chile" ("National Song of Chile"). Music by Ramón Carnicer, 1847. Words by Eusebio Lillo, 1909. Anthem officially adopted 1941.

CHINA. "The March of the Volunteers." Music by Nie Er. Words by Tian Han. Anthem officially adopted 1949.

COLOMBIA. "Himno Nacional." Music by Oreste Sindici, 1887. Words by Rafael Núñez, 1887. Anthem officially adopted 1920.

COMOROS. "Udzima wa ya Masiwa" ("The Union of the Great Islands"). Music by Kamildine Abdallah and Said Hachim Sidi Abderemane. Music by Said Hachim Sidi Abderemane. Anthem officially adopted 1978.

CONGO. "La Congolaise." Words and music by Jean Royer, Jacques Tondra, Jo Spadiliere. Originally Anthem officially adopted 1962; anthem replaced 1969; restored 1991.

COSTA RICA. "Himno Nacional." Music by Manuel María Gutiérrez, 1851. Words by José María Zeledón Brenes, 1903.

CÔTE D'IVOIRE (Ivory Coast). "L'Abidjanaise" ("Song of Abidjan"). Music by Pierre Michel Pango and Pierre Marie Coty. Words by Abbé Mathieu Ekra with Joachim Bony and Pierre Marie Coty. Anthem officially adopted 1960.

CUBA. "La Bayamesa" ("The Bayamo Song"). Music and words by Pedro Figueredo, 1867-1868. Anthem officially adopted 1902.

CZECH REPUBLIC. "Kde Domov M?j?" ("Where Is My Home?"). Music by František Jan Škroup. Words by Josef Kajetán Tyl. Anthem officially adopted 1919.

DENMARK. "Der er et Yndigt Land" ("There Is a Lovely Land"). Music by H. E. Krøyer, 1823. Words by Adam Gottlob Oehlenschläger, 1820. Anthem officially adopted (unofficially) 1844. Royal anthem: "Kong Kristian Stod ved Højen Mast" ("King Christian Stood by the Lofty Mast"). Music by Friedrich Kuhlau, 1828. Words by Johannes Ewald, about 1780. Anthem officially adopted (unofficially) 1828.

DJIBOUTI. Music by Abdi Robleh. Words by Aden Elmi. Anthem officially adopted 1977.

DOMINICA. "Isle of Beauty, Isle of Splendor." Music by Lemuel McPherson Christian. Words by Wilfred Oscar Morgan Pond. Anthem officially adopted 1967.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC. "Himno Nacional." Music by José Reyés, 1883. Words by Emilio Prud'homme, 1883. Anthem officially adopted about 1900.

ECUADOR. "Salve, O Patria" ("Hail, O Fatherland"). Music by Antonio Neumane, 1866. Words by Juan León Mera, 1865. Anthem officially adopted 1948.

EGYPT. "Biladi" ("My Homeland"). Music and words by Sayed Darwish. Anthem officially adopted 1979.

EL SALVADOR. "Himno Nacional." Music by Juan Aberle, 1879. Words by Juan José Cañas, 1879. Anthem officially adopted 1953.

EQUATORIAL GUINEA. "Himno Nacional." Composer unknown. Words by Atanasio Ndongo Miyono. Anthem officially adopted 1968.

ESTONIA. "Mu Isamaa, mu Õnn ja Rõõm" ("My Native Land, My Pride and Joy"). Music by Friedrich Pacius. Words by Johann Voldemar Jannsen. Anthem officially adopted 1869.

ETHIOPIA. Music by Solomon Lulu. Author unknown. Anthem officially adopted 1992.

FAROE ISLANDS. Music by Peter Alberg. Words by Símun av Skarthi. Anthem officially adopted late 1930s.

FIJI. "God Save the Queen" (same as Great Britain). National song: Composer unknown. Words by Michael Francis Alexander Prescott, based on traditional song.

FINLAND. "Maamme" ("Our Land"). Music by Fredrik Pacius, 1848. Words by Johan Ludvig Runeberg, 1846. Anthem officially adopted 1848.

FRANCE. "La Marseillaise" ("The Song of Marseille"). Music and words by Claude Joseph Rouget de Lisle, 1792. Anthem officially adopted 1795.

GABON. "La Concorde" ("The Concord"). Music and words by Georges Aleka Damas, 1960. Anthem officially adopted 1960.

GAMBIA, THE. "National Anthem." Music by Jeremy Frederick Howe, 1964, adapted from traditional Mandinka song. Words by Virginia Julie Howe, 1964. Anthem officially adopted 1965.

GERMANY. "Deutschlandlied" ("Song of Germany"). Music based on a melody by Franz Joseph Haydn, 1797. Words by August Heinrich Hoffmann von Fallersleben, 1841. Anthem officially adopted 1922.

GHANA. "Hail the Name of Ghana." Music by Phillip Gbeho, 1956. Words written, 1956; revised by government committee, 1966. Anthem officially adopted 1957.

GREAT BRITAIN. "God Save the Queen." Music and words, anonymous. First performed, 1745. Referred to as national anthem dating from beginning of the 19th century.

GREECE. "Imnos eis tin Eleftherian" ("Hymn to Freedom"). Music by Nikolaos Mantzaros, 1828. Words by Dionysios Solomós, 1824. Anthem officially adopted 1864.

GREENLAND. "Der er et Yndigt Land" ("There Is a Lovely Land"; same as Denmark). National song: music by Jonathan Petersen; words by Henrik Lund.

GRENADA. Music by Louis Arnold Masanto, Jr. Words by Irva Merle Baptiste. Anthem officially adopted 1974.

GUATEMALA. "Himno Nacional." Music by Rafael Alvarez Ovalle, 1880. Words by José Joaquín Palma, 1896. Anthem officially adopted 1896. Modified by decree, 1934.

GUINEA. "Liberté" ("Liberty"). Music by Keita Fodeba.

GUINEA-BISSAU. "É Patria Amada" ("This is Our Beloved Country"). Music and words by Amilcar Lopes Cabral, 1963. Anthem officially adopted 1974.

GUYANA. Music by Robert Cyril Gladstone Potter, 1966. Words by Archibald Leonard Luker, 1965. Anthem officially adopted 1966.

HAITI. "La Dessalinienne" ("The Song of Dessalines"). Music by Nicolas Geffrard, 1904. Words by Justin Lhérisson.

HONDURAS. "Himno Nacional." Music by Carlos Hartling, 1904. Words by Augusto Constancio Coello, 1903. Anthem officially adopted 1915.

HUNGARY. "Himnusz." Music by Ferenc Erkel, 1845. Words by Ferenc Kölcsey, 1823. Anthem officially adopted 1844.

ICELAND. "Lofsöngur." ("Song of Praise"). Music by Sveinbjörn Sveinbjörnsson, 1874. Words by Matthías Jochumsson, 1874. Anthem officially adopted 1874.

INDIA. "Jana-Gana-Mana-Adhinayaka, Jaya H." ("Thou Art the Ruler of the Minds of All People, Dispenser of India's Destiny"). Music and words by Rabindranath Tagore (1911). Anthem officially adopted 1950.

INDONESIA, REPUBLIC OF. "Indonesia Raya" ("Great Indonesia"). Music and words by W. R. Supratman, 1928. Anthem officially adopted 1949.

IRAN. "Sorood-e-Jomhoori-e-Islami" ("Anthem of the Islamic Republic of Iran"). Music and words by Mohammad Beglari-Pour. Anthem officially adopted 1980.

IRAQ. "Land of Two Rivers." Music by Walid Georges Gholmieh. Words by Shafiq Abdul Jabar al-Kamali. Anthem officially adopted 1981.

IRELAND, REPUBLIC OF. "Amhrán na BhFiann" ("The Soldier's Song"). Music by Patrick Heeney, before 1911. Words by Peadar Kearney, 1907. Anthem officially adopted 1926.

ISRAEL. "Hatikvah" ("The Hope"). Music by Samuel Cohen, based on Moldavian and Romanian folk tune. Words by Naphtali Herz Imber, 1878. Anthem officially adopted 1948.

ITALY. "Inno di Mameli" ("Hymn of Mameli"). Music by Michele Novaro, 1847. Words by Goffredo Mameli, 1847. Anthem officially adopted 1946.

JAMAICA. Music by Robert Charles Lightbourne. Words by Reverend Hugh Braham Sherlock. Anthem officially adopted 1962.

JAPAN. "Kimigayo" ("His Majesty's Reign"). Music by Hiromori Hayashi, probably 1880. Words taken from an ancient poem. Anthem officially adopted 1893.

JORDAN, HASHEMITE KINGDOM OF. "Long Live the King." Music by Abdul-Qader al-Taneer. Words by Abdul-Mone'm al-Rifai. Anthem officially adopted 1946.

KAZAKHSTAN. Composer unknown. Date Anthem officially adopted, unknown.

KENYA. "Wimbo wa Taifa" ("National Anthem"). Music, traditional melody. Words by a group of citizens. Anthem officially adopted 1963.

KIRIBATI. "Teirake Kaini Kiribati" ("Stand, Kiribati"). Music and words by Urium Tamuera Ioteba. Anthem officially adopted 1979.

KOREA, NORTH. Music by Kim Won Gyun. Words by Pak Se Yong. Anthem officially adopted 1947.

KOREA, SOUTH. "Aegug-ga" ("Patriotic Hymn"). Music by Eaktae Ahn. Words, source unknown. Anthem officially adopted 1948.

KUWAIT. National Anthem: Music by Ibrahim Nasir al-Soula. No words. Anthem officially adopted 1978. National song: Same melody with words by Ahmad Mushari al-Adwani.

LAOS. "Pheng Xat Lao" ("Laos National Anthem"). Music by Dr. Thongdy Sounthone Vichit, 1941. Words by Sisana Sisane. Anthem officially adopted 1947. New words Anthem officially adopted 1975.

LATVIA. "Dievs Sv?t? Latviju." Music by Karlis Baumanis, 1873. Date Anthem officially adopted, unknown.

LEBANON. "Hymne National Libanais." Music by Wadih Sabra. Words by Rachid Nakhlé. Anthem officially adopted 1927.

LESOTHO. Music by Ferdinand-Samuel Laur. Words by François Coillard. Anthem officially adopted 1967.

LIBERIA. Music by Olmstead Luca, 1860. Words by Daniel Bashiel Warner, 1847.

LIBYA. "Libyan Arab Jamahiriya." Music by Mahmoud el-Sherif. Words by Abdalla Shams el-Din. Anthem officially adopted 1969.

LIECHTENSTEIN. Music to the tune of "God Save the Queen." Words by Jakob Josef Jauch, 1850. Anthem officially adopted 1951.

LITHUANIA. "Lietuva, Tevyne Musu." Music and words by Vincas Kudirka. Anthem officially adopted 1918.

LUXEMBOURG. "Ons Hémécht" ("Our Motherland"). Music by Jean-Antoine Zinnen, 1864. Words by Michel Lentz, 1863. Anthem officially adopted 1895.

MADAGASCAR. "Ry Tanindrazanay Malala O" ("O, Our Beloved Country"). Music by Norbert Raharisoa. Words by Pasteur Rahajason, 1958. Anthem officially adopted 1958.

MALAWI. "O God Bless Our Land of Malawi." Music and words by Michael-Fredrick Paul Sauka, 1964. Anthem officially adopted 1964.

MALAYSIA. "Negara-Ku" ("My Country"). Music based on an old Malayan folk tune. Words by a special committee. Anthem officially adopted 1957.

MALDIVES. Music by Wannakuwattawaduge Don Amaradeva, 1972. Words by Mohamed Jameel Didi. Anthem officially adopted 1972.

MALI, REPUBLIC OF. "Hymne National Malien" ("National Hymn of Mali"). Music by Banzoumana Sissoko. Words by Seydou Badian Kouyaté. Anthem officially adopted 1962.

MALTA. "Innu Malti" ("Hymn of Malta"). Music by Robert Sammut, about 1923. Words by Dun Karm Psaila, 1923. Anthem officially adopted 1945.

MARSHALL ISLANDS. Composer unknown. Date Anthem officially adopted unknown.

MAURITANIA, ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF. Music by Tolia Nikiprowetzky (based on traditional music). No words. Anthem officially adopted 1960.

MAURITIUS. "Motherland." Music by Philippe Gentil. Words by Jean Georges Prosper. Anthem officially adopted 1968.

MEXICO. "Himno Nacional Mexicano" ("National Anthem of Mexico"). Music by Jaime Nunó. Words by Francisco González Bocanegra. First performed 1854. Anthem officially adopted 1943.

MICRONESIA. Composer unknown. Date Anthem officially adopted unknown.

MOLDOVA. Music by Anton Pann. Words by Andrei Mure?ianu. Date Anthem officially adopted unknown. Same anthem as Romania.

MONACO. "Hymne Monégasque." Music by Charles Albrecht, based on a folk tune. Words by Théophile Bellando de Castro. First performed 1867.

MONGOLIA, REPUBLIC OF. Music by Bilegiin Damdinsüren and Luvsanjamts Murjorj. Words by Tsendiin Damdinsüren. Music Anthem officially adopted 1950. Original words written 1961. New words written 1991.

MOROCCO. Music by Léo Morgan. Words by Ali Squalli Houssaini.

MOZAMBIQUE. Music and words by Justino Sigaulane Chemane. Anthem officially adopted 1975.

NAMIBIA. Music and words by Axali Doeseb. Anthem officially adopted 1991.

NAURU. "Nauru Bwiema" ("Nauru, Our Homeland"). Music by Lawrence Henry Hicks. Words written collectively. Anthem officially adopted 1968.

NEPAL. Music by Bakhatbir Budhapirthi. Words by Chakrapani Chalise. Anthem officially adopted 1899.

NETHERLANDS. "Wilhelmus van Nassouwe" ("William of Nassau"). Music, an old French soldiers' song, rearranged in 1626 by the Dutch composer Valerius. Words attributed to Marnix van St. Aldegonde, about 1568. Anthem officially adopted 1932.

NETHERLANDS ANTILLES. Music by J. B. A. Palm. No words. Anthem officially adopted 1964.

NEW ZEALAND. "God Defend New Zealand." Music by John Woods, about 1878. Words by Thomas Bracken, 1875. Anthem officially adopted 1940. Also: "God Save the Queen" (same as Great Britain). This was given equal status as national anthem in 1977.

NICARAGUA. "Himno Nacional." Music by Luis Abraham Delgadillo. Words by Salomón Ibarra Mayorga. Words formerly sung were replaced by these in 1939.

NIGER. "La Nigérienne." Music by Robert Jacquet and Nicolas Abel François Frionnet. Words by Maurice Albert Thiriet. Anthem officially adopted 1961.

NIGERIA, FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF. "Arise, O Compatriots." Music by Benedict Elide Odiase. Words written collectively. Anthem officially adopted 1978.

NORWAY. "Ja, Vi Elsker Dette Landet" ("Yes, We Love This Land"). Music by Rikard Nordraak (1863). Words by Bjørnstjerne Bjørnson (1859). Anthem officially adopted 1864.

OMAN. Composer unknown. Words by Rashid bin Aziz. In use since 1972.

PAKISTAN. "Qaumi Tarana" ("National Anthem"). Music by Ahmed Chagla, 1950. Words by Abu al-Asar Hafeez Jullandhri, 1951. Anthem officially adopted 1954.

PANAMA. "Himno Istmeño" ("Isthmus Anthem"). Music by Santos Jorgea. Words by Jerónimo de la Ossa, 1904. Anthem officially adopted 1925.

PAPUA NEW GUINEA. Music and words by Thomas Shacklady. Anthem officially adopted 1975.

PARAGUAY. "Himno Nacional." Music by Francés Dupuy or Louis Cavedagni. Words by Francisco Esteban Acuña de Figueroa. Anthem officially adopted 1846. Declared official 1934.

PERU. "Himno Nacional." Music by José Bernardo Alzedo; rewritten by Claudio Rebagliati, 1869. Words by José de la Torre Ugarte, 1821. Chosen 1821. Made official 1913.

PHILIPPINES, REPUBLIC OF THE. "Marcha Nacional Filipina." Music by Julian Felipe, 1898. Spanish words by José Palma, 1899. Tagalog words by government committee. First performed 1898.

POLAND. "Mazurek Dabrowskiego" ("Dombrowski's Mazurka"). Music probably by Michal Kleofas Ogi?ski. Words by Józef Wybicki. First sung 1795. Anthem officially adopted 1927.

PORTUGAL. "A Portuguésa" ("In the Portuguese Way"). Music by Alfredo Keil. Words by Henrique Lopes de Mendonça. First played 1890. Anthem officially adopted 1910.

PUERTO RICO. "La Borinqueña." Music by F. Astol. No words. Anthem officially adopted 1952.

QATAR. Composer unknown. No words. Anthem officially adopted 1954.

ROMANIA. Music by Anton Pann. Words by Andrei Mure?ianu. Anthem officially adopted 1990. Same anthem as Moldova.

RUSSIA. "The Patriotic Song." Music by Mikhail Ivanovich Glinka (1833). No words.

RWANDA. Music based on an old Rwandan folk tune. Anthem officially adopted 1962.

SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS. Music and words by Kenrick Anderson Georges. Anthem officially adopted 1983.

SAINT LUCIA. Music by Leton Felix Thomas. Words by Charles Jesse. Anthem officially adopted 1967, and again with independence in 1979.

SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES. Music by Joel Bertram Miguel. Words by Phyllis Joyce McClean Punnett. Anthem officially adopted 1969, and again with independence in 1979.

SAN MARINO. Music by Federico Consolo. No words. Anthem officially adopted 1894.

SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE. "Independência Total" ("Total Independence"). Music by Manuel dos Santos Barreto de Sousa e Almeida. Words by Alda Neves da Graça do Espirito Santo.

SAUDI ARABIA. "An-Nashid Al-Watani" ("National Anthem of Saudi Arabia"). Music by Siraj Omar. Words by Ibrahim Khafaji, 1986. Anthem officially adopted around 1950.

SENEGAL. Music by Herbert Pepper. Words by Léopold Sédar Senghor. Anthem officially adopted 1960.

SERBIA AND MONTENEGRO. "Hej Slavení" ("Fellow Slavs"). Music by Michal Kleofas Ogi?ski. Words by Samuel Tomašik. Anthem officially adopted 1945.

SEYCHELLES. Music by Pierre Dastros-Gèze. Words written collectively. Anthem officially adopted 1978.

SIERRA LEONE. Music by John Joseph Akar, 1961. Words by Clifford Nelson Fyle, 1961. Anthem officially adopted 1961.

SINGAPORE, REPUBLIC OF. "Majulah Singapura" ("May Singapore Progress"). Music and words by Zubir Said. Anthem officially adopted 1959.

SLOVENIA. Music by Stanko Premrl. Words by France Prešeren. Anthem officially adopted 1989.

SOLOMON ISLANDS. Music by Panapasa Balekana. Words by Panapasa Balekana and Matila Balekana. Anthem officially adopted 1978.

SOMALIA. Music by Giuseppe Blanc. No words. Anthem officially adopted 1960.

SOUTH AFRICA, REPUBLIC OF. "Die Stem van Suid-Afrika" ("The Call of South Africa"). Music by Reverend Marthinus Lourens de Villiers, 1928. Words by Cornelis Jacob Langenhoven, 1918. Anthem officially adopted 1936; English version Anthem officially adopted 1952. Also: "Nkosi Sikelel'i Afrika" ("God Bless Africa").

SPAIN. "Himno Nacional Español" ("The Spanish National Anthem"). Words by José María Pemán. Date Anthem officially adopted unknown.

SRI LANKA. "Sri Lanka Matha" ("Mother Sri Lanka"). Music and Sinhalese words by Ananda Samarakone. Author of Tamil words unknown. Anthem officially adopted 1952.

SUDAN, REPUBLIC OF THE. "Nahnu Djundullah" ("We Are God's Army"). Music by Ahmad Murjan. Words by Ahmad Muhammad Salih. Anthem officially adopted 1956.

SURINAME. Music by Johannes Corstianus de Puy, 1876. Dutch words by Cornelis Atses Hoekstra, 1893. Sranan version by Henry de Ziel, 1893. Anthem officially adopted date unknown.

SWAZILAND. Music by David Kenneth Rycroft. Words by Andrease Enoke Fanyana Simelane. Anthem officially adopted 1968.

SWEDEN. "Du Gamla, Du Fria" ("Thou Ancient, Thou Free"). Music based on folk tune. Words by Richard Dybeck, 1844. In use since the 1880s.

SWITZERLAND. (German) "Schweizer Psalm"; (French) "Cantique Suisse"; (Italian) "Salmo Svizzero"; (Romansh) "Psalm Svizzer" ("The Swiss Anthem"). Music by Father Alberich Zwyssig. Words by Leonhard Widmer, Charles Chatelanat, Camillo Valsangiacomo, Alfons Tuor, and Gion Antoni Bühler. Anthem officially adopted 1965.

SYRIA. "An-Nashid as-Suri" ("Syrian National Anthem"). Music by Ahmad and Mohammad Salim Flayfel. Words by Khalil Mardam Bey. Anthem officially adopted 1936.

TAIWAN. "San Min Chu I" ("Three People's Principles"). Music by Cheng Mao-Yun. Words by Sun Yat-sen. Anthem officially adopted 1949.

TANZANIA, UNITED REPUBLIC OF. Music by Mankayi Enoch Sontonga and V. E. Webster, 1961, based on well-known Bantu song "Nkosi Sikelel'i Africa" ("God Bless Africa"). Words by group of Tanzanian citizens, 1961. Anthem officially adopted 1961.

THAILAND. "Phleng Chat" ("National Anthem"). Music by Phra Chen-Duriyang. Words by Luang Saranuprapan. Anthem officially adopted 1939. Royal anthem: "Phleng Sansasoen Phra Barami." Music by Huvitzen, 1872. Words by Prince Narisaranuvadtivongs; revised by King Rama VI, about 1913. Anthem officially adopted 1872.

TOGO. Music and words written by the Togolese People's Assembly (Rassemblement du Peuple Togolais). Anthem officially adopted 1979.

TONGA. Music by Karl Gustavus Schmitt. Words by Prince Uelingatoni Ngu Tupoumalohi. First reported use 1874.

TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO. Music and words by Patrick Stanislaus Castagne, 1962. Anthem officially adopted 1962.

TUNISIA. Music by Mohamad Abdel Wahab. Words by Mustafa Sadik al-Rafii. Anthem officially adopted 1987.

TURKEY. "?stiklâl Mar?i" ("March of Independence"). Music by Zeki Üngör, 1924. Words by Mehmet Akif Ersoy, 1921. Date Anthem officially adopted unknown.

TUVALU. Music and words by Afaese Manoa. Anthem officially adopted 1978.

UGANDA. "Pearl of Africa." Music and words by George Wilberforce Kakoma. Anthem officially adopted 1962.

UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. Music by Mohamad Abdel Wahab. No words. Anthem officially adopted 1971.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. "The Star-Spangled Banner." Words by Francis Scott Key, 1814. Composer unknown. (John Stafford Smith used the music for an arrangement of "To Anacreon in Heaven" and is often regarded incorrectly as the composer of the tune.) Anthem officially adopted 1931.

URUGUAY. "Himno Nacional." Music by Francisco José Debali. Words by Francisco Esteban Acuña de Figueroa. Anthem officially adopted 1845.

UZBEKISTAN. Music by Mutawakki Burhanov. Date Anthem officially adopted unknown.

VANUATU. "Yumi, Yumi, Yumi" ("We, We, We"). Music and words by François Vincent. Anthem officially adopted 1980.

VATICAN CITY. "Inno e Marcia Pontificale" ("Hymn and Pontifical March"). Music by Charles Gounod. Words by Antonio Allegra. Anthem officially adopted 1950.

VENEZUELA. "Gloria al Bravo Pueblo" ("Glory to the Brave People"). Music by Juan José Landaeta, about 1810. Words by Vicente Salias. Anthem officially adopted 1881.

VIETNAM. "Quoc Ca" ("Vietnamese National Anthem"). Music and words by Van Cao. Anthem officially adopted 1976.

WESTERN SAMOA. "The Banner of Freedom." Music and words by Sauni Iiga Kuresa, 1948. Anthem officially adopted 1962.

YEMEN. "United Republic." Music by Ayoob Tarish. Words by Abdulla Abdul Wahab Noman. Anthem officially adopted 1990.

ZAIRE, REPUBLIC OF. "La Zaïroise." Music and words by Boka Di Mpasi Londi. Anthem officially adopted 1972.

ZAMBIA. "Stand and Sing of Zambia." Music by Mankayi Enoch Sontonga, based on well-known Bantu song "Nkosi Sikelel'i Africa" ("God Bless Africa"). Words written collectively. Anthem officially adopted 1964.

ZIMBABWE. "Ngaikomborerwe Nyika yeZimbabwe" ("Blessed Be the Land of Zimbabwe"). Music by F. L. Changundega. Words by S. M. Mutswairo. Anthem officially adopted 1994.